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 Examining Group. 1641
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In re application of : Satoshi KIDOOKA et al.

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Application No. : 09/735,551

Group Art Unit: 1641

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For : ENDOSCOPIC SPRAYING INSTRUMENT

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116** in the above-captioned application.

- Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- A Request for Extension of Time.
- No additional fee is required.

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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action dated March 24, 2004, which set forth a shortened three-month statutory period for response to expire on June 24, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections set forth in the Official Action, in view of the herein-contained remarks.